

TCR Program – Application Approval Project # 33 – June 2007

Los Angeles Bus Transit; acquire low-emission buses for Los Angeles County MTA bus transit service.

(\$ X 1,000)

<i>Estimated Project Cost:</i>	\$304,200	<i>TCRP Funds approved to date:</i>	\$150,000
<i>Total TCRP Funds Available:</i>	\$150,000	<i>Phases(s) approved to date:</i>	4
<i>Lead Agency:</i>	Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA)	<i>Implementing Agency:</i>	LACMTA

<i>TCRP allocations to date:</i>	\$150,000	<i>for Phase(s):</i>	N/A
<i>Advance requested:</i>	\$0	<i>for Phase(s):</i>	N/A

Project Summary: The overall project includes the acquisition of approximately 380-570 replacement low-emission articulated Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) and/or hybrid buses to be used in Los Angeles County. This project is part of LACMTA's ongoing effort to replace the aging fleet and help bring the region into air quality attainment compliance.

Cost and Schedule (\$ x 1,000)

Phase	Scope	Start	End	Cost
1	Studies, Environmental Review and Permits			
2	Preparation of Specifications for procurement - in house	12/01	5/02	
3	Right of Way Acquisition			
4	Solicitation and award of contract Procure low-emission buses	6/02	8/07	\$316,475
Total:				\$316,475

Funding Plan (\$ x 1,000)

Source	Type		Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Total
TCRP	State	Committed				\$150,000	\$150,000
		Proposed					
CMAQ/RSTP	Federal	Committed				\$101,946	\$101,946
		Proposed				\$23,759	\$23,759
FTA	Federal	Committed				\$5,648	\$5,648
		Proposed				\$12,388	\$12,388
STIP-RIP	State	Committed				\$22,716	\$22,716
		Proposed					
	Totals:	Committed				\$280,310	\$280,310
		Proposed				\$36,147	\$36,147
		Totals:				\$316,457	\$316,457

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AB 1335 Letter Funding Plan (\$ x 1,000)

<i>Source</i>	<i>Type</i>		<i>Phase 1</i>	<i>Phase 2</i>	<i>Phase 3</i>	<i>Phase 4</i>	<i>Total</i>
Lease Revenues		Totals:				\$25,138	\$25,138
Prop C	Local	Totals:				\$5,121	\$5,121
TDA 4	Local	Totals:				\$7,907	\$7,907
STA		Totals:				\$1,493	\$1,493
FTA	Federal	Totals:				\$32,400	\$32,400
RSTP		Totals:				\$24,103	\$24,103
CMAQ		Totals:				\$53,838	\$53,838
		Totals:				\$150,000	\$150,000

Prior TCRP Action:

- Original application was approved on June 6, 2001 (Resolution TA-01-09).
- An application amendment was approved November 7, 2002 (Resolution TAA-02-10), to update the project description and schedule.
- An application amendment to update funding plan to reflect increase of project cost was approved on October 29, 2003 (TAA-03-12). Project cost was revised to address the updated Bus Procurement Plan. This plan revises the costs of acquisition based on actual contract costs and estimates costs for future contracts. An AB 1335 Letter of No Prejudice in the amount of \$150,000,000 for Phase 4 was also approved (TL-03-02).
- An allocation of \$150,000,000 to reimburse an approved AB 1335 Letter of No Prejudice for Construction (Resolution TFP-06-38) was approved on June 7, 2007.

Status of Conditions: No conditions.

Discussion/Issues: No issues. This project is categorically exempt under CEQA. Regional Transportation Plan documentation on file. Due to the financial uncertainties of TCR funds, LACMTA has submitted a Letter request identifying alternative funding to enable Phase 4 activities to continue on schedule. The Letter is in conformance with the Commission approved Guidelines for Letter of No Prejudice, TCRP (Resolution G-03-12), and is recommended for concurrent approval under Reference No. 2.1c(4).

Recommend approval.